

Remarks

Claim 6 has been redrafted to be dependent on claim 1. Applicant respectfully submits that the device of claims 1 and 6 are related and not distinct. The device of claim 6 requires all the elements of the device of claim 1 and merely adds further elements, namely perforated plates. The overall function of the device of claim 6 remains the same as the function of the device of claim 1. Therefore, claim 6 and claim 1 should be examined on the merits together. Without acquiescing to the Examiner's position, Applicant hereby elects the claims in Group I (claims 1-11) for further prosecution. The election is made WITHOUT traverse. Entry and consideration of the present claims is respectfully requested. The remaining claims 12-13 are hereby cancelled. Applicant reserves the right to pursue claims 12-13 in a divisional application.


Conclusion

Applicant believes that the present application is now ready for examination on the merits. No fee is believed to be due at this time. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to the Deposit Account No. 50-0812.

If the Examiner believes that a telephone call would expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned directly at the number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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